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SUBJ: INDIAN OCEAN PEACE ZONE (IOPZ) AD HOC COMITE

REF: USUN 2097(NOTAL)

1. AS REPORTED REFTEL CHAIRMAM AMERASINGHE (SRI LANKA) OF AD HOC COMITE ON IOPZ STATED THAT HIS INTERPRETATION OF PARA 3 OF GA RES 3080 (BELOW) AUTHORIZES HIM, ON BEHALF OF COMITE, TO COMMENCE DISCUSSIONS WITH REPS OF GREAT POWERS TO DETERMINE THEIR ATTITUDES TOWARD BASIC OBJECTIVES OF IOPZ RES. AD HOC COMITE 7 JUNE AGREED WITHOUT DEBATE. PARA 3 READS QTE URGES ALL STATES, ESPECIALLY THE MAJOR POWERS, TO EXTEND THEIR COOPERATION TO THE AD HOC COMITE IN THE DISCHARGE OF ITS FUNCTIONS UNQTE.

2. INASMUCH AS AMERASINGHE IS CONDUCTING LOS CONSULTATIONS IN NY UNTIL 12 JUNE AND DEPARTS FOR SOUTH AMERICA 13 JUNE FOR 11 WEEKS LOS CONF MISOFF, DURING CONVERSATION, ASKED HOW HE INTENDED TO CONDUCE HIS
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INQUIRY. AMERASINGHE REPLIED THAT HE HOPED TO BE ABLE

TO ARRANGE VERY BRIEF APPOINTMENTS WITH AMB SCALI AND OTHER AMBS REPRESENTING POWERS PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE, AND TO FOLLOW UP WITH LETTER. (LETTER WOULD PRESUMABLY SOLICIT RESPONSE TO COMITE CONCERNING GREAT POWER INTENTIONS IN INDIAN OCEAN). AMERASINGHE STATED HE HOPED TO FORM QTE AND LITTLE GROUP TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE UNQTE AND ADDED IT SHOULD INCLUDE QTE YOURSELVES, MALIK, ETC. UNQTE; FURTHER, HE INTENDS TO INVITE POWERS TO ADDRESS AD HOC COMITE AT THEIR SEPT MEETING.

3. UK MINOFF (LOGAN) SAID THEY RECOMMENDED TO LONDON THAT THEIR REPLY TO ANY DISCUSSION INITIATED BY AMERASINGHE BE FORMULATED ALONG LINES OF THEIR GA STATEMENTS WHEN ABSTAINING. (LAST UK REPLY ON SUBSTANCE OF IOPZ PROPOSAL WAS 1971). LOGAN REQUESTED THEY BE KEPT INFORMED, IF POSSIBLE, OF PROPOSED US RESPONSE

4. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPT GUIDANCE FOR POTENTIAL APPOINTMENT BY AMERASINGHE SAID WOULD BE FOR ONLY 5-10 MINUTES WOULD BE DEVOTED PRIMARILY TO AMERASINGHE'S PITCH FOR IOPZ CONCEPT, AND AMB. SCALI'S RESPONSE NEED ONLY REFER TO GENERAL THEMES, (E.G. AVOIDING SPECIAL OCEAN REGIMES, ETC.) WITHOUT DISCUSSION OF DETAILS OF MILITARY PRESENCE.
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